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(57) Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To display as much information as possible by changing display positions of the information so that characters or words reaching a line break of a plurality of display devices are not broken to separate parts.

SOLUTION: A CPU 1-1 displays a starting character at the display position of the starting character on a 1st display device 1-7 and determines the display position of a next character. It is judged whether or not the characters can be put in the screen when the next character is displayed at the position. When a display character string represents a character-by-character language like Japanese and the character string is too long to be displayed on the display device 1-7 and hence all the characters can not be displayed, the display position of a character is set on the left upper part of a 2nd display device 1-9 and the character is

displayed at that position. When characters to be displayed represent a word-by-word sectioned language like English, etc., the whole word containing the characters is displayed on the left upper part on the next display device. When a word is long, it is hyphenated or displayed in a different color.

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